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**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to beginning examination of the enclosed application, please enter the following preliminary amendment.

**IN THE FIGURES**

Please add the attached FIGURE 1 to the application.

**REMARKS**

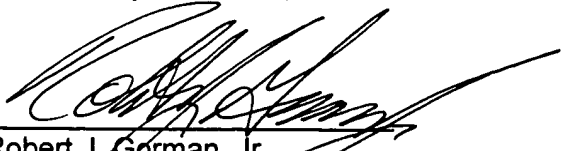
***Remaining Claims***

The enclosed Figure was part of the priority application DE 299 01 791.5, and is adequately supported in the written description. Therefore, no new matter is added. Applicants submit that all claims are now in condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner believe that a discussion with Applicants' representative would further the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is respectfully invited to contact the undersigned.

Please address all correspondence to Thomas Hoxie, Novartis Corporation, Patent and Trademark Department, 564 Morris Avenue, Summit, NJ 07901. The commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees with may be required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 and 1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0134.

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